

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CIVIL AVIATION
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:451
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UPGRADATION OF BILASPUR AIRPORT
PUNNULAL MOHALE

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government have conducted a study for upgradation of the airstrip at Bilaspur in Chhattisgarh and introduce passenger flights therefrom;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government are formulating any scheme to link medium cities through 48 seater passenger planes; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI SYED SHAHNAWAZ HUSSAIN)

(a) and (b):- No such study has been undertaken by the Government for upgradation of the airstrip at Bilaspur. Due to lack of traffic potential, no airline has projected its requirement to operate through Bilaspur airport so far. As such, Airports Authority of India has no plans to upgrade the facilities at this airport.

(c) & (d):- There is no such scheme at present.